

DIVISION OF FOREST PEST CONTROL  
U. S. FOREST SERVICE  
ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

REPORT OF AERIAL DETECTION SURVEY

LAND OWNERSHIP OF SURVEY AREA: George Washington National Forest

STATE: Virginia

COUNTY: N/A

DATE: 7/2/75

ACREAGE WITHIN SURVEY BOUNDARY: 1,796,078

PERCENT SURVEY COVERAGE:

AIRCRAFT: Cessna 206

SURVEY CREW: McDowell and Bassett

DETECTION SURVEY OBJECTIVES: The objective of this survey was to determine the status of the southern pine beetle and the hardwood defoliators on the George Washington National Forest.

SURVEY RESULTS: Southern pine beetle activity on the southern end of the Pedlar Ranger District is continuing. However, the infestation does not appear to be spreading. There was some light to medium defoliation scattered over most of the Districts. There was no significant amount of tree mortality detected.

SUMMARY: The insect problems on the George Washington National Forest do not appear to be increasing since the last survey. If any damage is observed by forest personnel, Forest Pest Management in Asheville, N. C., should be notified.

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